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New York, May 17.  
When the American Press some years  
ago prematurely announced the death  
of Mark Twain the famous humorist  
observed that the report had been  
greatly exaggerated. Lieutenant-General  
Sir Robert Baden-Powell has improved  
upon Mark Twain. For weeks a rumour  
has been circulating in the States to the  
effect that Sir Robert is undergoing  
imprisonment in the Tower of London,  
charged with espionage.  
The United Press cable its London  
office, which has received the following  
letter, written from the offices of the  
Boy Scouts' Association:-  
"Dear Sir, I regret that the report  
that I am sojourning in the Tower of  
London under a charge of espionage  
cannot be correct, as I was taken out  
and shot over a month ago (according to  
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## THE DIARY.

## General Memoranda.

**THURSDAY, July 6.**—Princess Victoria's birthday 1898 (Sister of H. M. the King).

**FRIDAY, July 7.**—2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture, etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Egyptian Cigarettes at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

**SATURDAY, July 8.**—3.45 p.m.—Third Gymkhana of the Season at Race Course, Happy Valley.

**SUNDAY, July 9.**—9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by a.s. "Taishan".

**MONDAY, July 10.**—3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at P.W.D.

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## NEWS OF THE DAY.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A junk laden with 40 tons of coal became water-logged near the Harbour Office on Friday night and sank.

A number of prisoners, who were placed under arrest by Feng Kuo-chang at Nanking as political suspects, have been released.

A telegram from the Manila Observatory to-day gives warning of a depression over the northern part of the China Sea.

The fifth list of subscriptions to the War Charities Fund amounts to \$22,125.07, bringing up the total to \$126,151.06.

The Fourth of July celebrations at Shanghai to-day were expected, according to an American contemporary, to "surpass anything of the kind that the American community ever staged."

In our advertisement columns will be found a notice inserted by the Captain Superintendent of Police calling on "all persons not exempted" to register at the office of the C. S. P. The penalty for failing is "a fine not exceeding \$50."

We print on another page of this issue the names of the naval officers lost in the action off Jutland, as well as the names of the officers who perished on H.M.S. Hampshire a week later. The lists contain the names of several officers who have served on the China Station and who will doubtless be remembered by many readers.

No cases of small pox were notified to the Medical Officer of Health during last week, but there were ten cases of enteric fever, four of which ended fatally. The persons affected were two British, one Portuguese, and the rest Chinese. Two fatal Chinese cases of diphtheria, one fatal case of bubonic plague (Chinese), and two cases of puerperal fever (Chinese), one of which terminated fatally, were recorded during the same period.

The great war in Europe, says the Singapore Free Press, is a blessing in disguise to the local pineapple preserving industry in Singapore. Apart from the fact that the crop is an abnormal one and the demand for the troops at the front has been very large, some canners have received big orders for shipment to Aden, Alexandria, Cairo, Suez, and other ports of Egypt. These in addition to other orders received by them for execution through commission agents.

Two young people who were born in Yokohama, members of two of the port's most prominent families, were married on 21st June in Christ Church, Yokohama, where Miss Dorothy May Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Wallace Campbell, became the bride of Mr. Otis Manchester Poole, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis A. Poole. Both the bride and the bridegroom have lived all their lives, with the exception of periods spent away for education or travel, in Yokohama. They will continue to make their home there.

The remains of the late Father C. Andreotti, who died on Sunday at the Hospital of the Italian Sisters, Wanchai, were carried to St. Francis Church at 5.45 p.m. yesterday. The choir was formed by the Catholic Clergy and the Seminary, and after the Absolution and the singing of the "In Paradisum" the coffin was taken to the Cemetery at Happy Valley for interment. His Lordship Bishop Pozzoni acted as chief mourner, and also performed the last rites. Among those present at the funeral were the clergy of the Italian, French, and Spanish Missions, the Brothers and pupils of St. Joseph's College, the Sisters and pupils of the two Convents, the pupils of St. Lewis' Industrial School, representatives from the various religious Societies, and a very large number of European and Chinese Catholics. A Pontifical Requiem Mass was said at the Catholic Cathedral at 7.30 a.m. to-day for the repose of the soul of the deceased.

## CALCUTTA'S GENEROSITY.

The Calcutta Statesman's appeal for one and a half lakhs for the maintenance of the Motor Ambulance supplied for by the citizens of Calcutta six months ago has been very successful. The amount asked has been over-subscribed, and will permit of the upkeep for the next six months.

## THE MAGISTRACY.

## AN OPIUM CASE.

A woman, who was questioned by a Chinese constable regarding the contents of her basket in New Street yesterday said she did not know what was inside and that she was merely carrying it for a friend. The contents consisted of 13½ lbs of Indian raw opium. The woman, at the Magistracy this morning sulkily protested that she did not know the basket contained opium.

A sentence of three months' hard labour without the option of a fine was inflicted.

## EXPORTING COPPER CASH.

## CHINESE FIRM CONVICTED BY MAGISTRATE.

Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistracy this afternoon, convicted the Wai Yee Shing firm on a charge of attempting to export copper cash to the weight of 48 tons.

Mr. P. M. Hodgson the Assistant Crown Solicitor, and Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton for the defence, had conferences with the Magistrate in chambers lasting an hour.

On re-entering Court the Assistant Crown Solicitor asked for a conviction on the evidence and the confiscation of the cash. He said he did not ask for a heavy penalty.

The Magistrate convicted the firm, imposed a fine of \$10, and ordered the cash to be confiscated.

## TROUBLE IN THE HOME.

A Portuguese woman named Almaria, living at Bridges Street, told a story of tenement life at the Magistracy this morning, when she appeared to summon a Chinese woman of the same house for an assault.

Complainant said her children were playing on the floor and defendant pushed a bamboo pole through the floor and endeavored to hit the children. When complainant went to investigate she was struck on the head with the pole.

Defendant's version was that the complainant had instructed her children to pour water down to her floor (laughter).

Mr. Wood said he did not believe either story and dismissed the summons.

## A REVOLUTIONARY JACKET.

The hearing was continued this morning of a case against a Chinese charged with being in possession of a revolver and several rounds of ammunition.

The Police, through Detective Sergt. Wills, said the defendant was found walking in the street with a basket which was locked. Inside was found the revolver and ammunition and also the revolutionary jacket. The jacket was produced and examined by the Magistrate. The pockets were obviously intended to carry clips of cartridges and on the inside was a chop of a Revolutionary Society in Kwangtung.

Mr. Wood fined defendant \$1,000 or six months' imprisonment.

## AMMUNITION SEIZED.

For being in possession of 270 rounds of ammunition, a Chinese was today fined \$100 or a month's imprisonment.

## CHINESE MAGIC.

Sometime during May a Chinese was approached by a friend—apparently a schemer—to invest some money in a business. They journeyed together to a house and the Chinese advanced 200 silver dollars which he had saved for the purpose of starting the "business." He was persuaded by the other man to put the money into a jar where he was assured each dollar would become two, but there was a condition that he must go away and leave the jar for an hour and a half. When he returned the money and the maker of the business proposal had gone. On June 30th he saw the "business" man and gave him in charge for larceny.

The Magistrate, after hearing the statements of both parties decided to discharge the defendant.

There died in Paris recently, after a long and painful illness, Dr. George Horton Tilden. Dr. Tilden graduated from Harvard College in the class of 1872, and took the highest honours at the Harvard Medical School, and practised in Boston. He subsequently resided for some years in Japan, where he learned to make the famous Japanese sword blades, and acquired a knowledge of Japanese folk-lore and poetry. Dr. Tilden was skillful as a Japanese wrestler and became proficient in the art of Jiu-jitsu. His chest, back and deltoid muscles were ornamented with the most elaborate illustrations of Japanese tattooing in the colours of Harvard—crimson, pink, blue, orange and green. His unique collection of Japanese sword blades of the fifteenth century and of other Japanese weapons, it is believed, form the object of a legacy to the Boston Museum of Fine Art.

## CLOSING SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Banks	780 5/8
Unions	915 5/8
Supers	130 1/2
Docks	197 1/2
Douglas	125 1/2
Det. Indes	125 1/2
Port Indes	45 1/2
Cement	240 5/8
Wharves	84 1/2
Providence	84 1/2
Trams	1 1/2

## HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

## TRAINING TIMES AND HANDICAP WEIGHTS.

As next Saturday draws nearer, general interest in the Gymkhana to be held that afternoon will increase. Already there has been some wagering on the three "likes"—Standard, Dahlia, King Jack and Matabele, for the big event, the Gymkhana Stakes. These three ponies will probably be ridden by Mr. H. S. Smith, Mr. Knoll and Mr. Erio Moller respectively.

The times done this morning nearly all show improvement, but most of the last quarters were slow. King Jack's performance looks best on paper: 35, 34, 35, 31.1-2-35.4.

The times taken were—

Social Schwann, boy, 1½, and Birdwood, boy, 1 mile, 43, 1.20, 1.55, 2.30, 3.06.4; last 1.38.4.

Electrification, boy, 1 mile, 40, 1.17.3, 1.53.2; last 1.35.4.

\*STANDARD DAHLIA, 1 mile, 33, 1.08, 1.41, 2.14.4; last 1.33.4.

Middlesex Center, Adams, 1 mile, 38, 1.14, 1.52, 2.27.1; last 1.35.1.

Burton, Barton, 1 mile, 36, 1.09, 1.44.1; last 1.35.1.

Forester, Knoll, and China Coaster, Fisher, 1 mile, 36.8, 1.11, 1.40, 2.21.3; last 1.35.3.

Maymox, Sedgwick, 1 mile, 40, 1.15, 1.40, 2.21; last 1.32.

Matabele, Fisher, 1 mile, 36.4, 1.12.3, 1.47.4, 2.20.2; last 1.31.3.

King Jack, Knoll, 1 mile 35, 1.09, 1.44, 2.15.4; last 1.31.4.

\* Galloped yesterday.

## HANDICAP WEIGHTS.

## 1 MILE HANDICAP.

Ploughed Field 137 lbs.

Cligwyn 157

Electric Light 150

Antony 155

Birdwood 151

Sunshine 150

Bluffer 149

Durham Chief 146

## ONCE ROUND HANDICAP.

Standard Dahlia 166 lbs.

King Jack 161

Matabele 161

Makoni 161

Peter Doody 155

Social Schwann 154

Forester 154

Ploughed Field 153

Middlesex Chief 153

Sunshine 150

China Coaster 148

Durham Chief 148

## 1½ MILE HANDICAP.

Standard Dahlia 162 lbs.

King Jack 158

Matabele 158

Makoni 158

Social Schwann 158

Forester 152

Ploughed Field 151

Forester 149

Ploughed Field 148

Sunshine 145

## DISTANCE HANDICAP.

Electric Light 150 yds.

Cligwyn 15

Birdwood 20

Sunshine 25

George 25

Tamby 25

Bluffer 35

Borneo Chief 40

Skelp 45

Snowflake 50

Maybey 55

Tinker 55

Beastie 75

Redshanks 85

## OPIUM HAULS.

## TWO DEFENDANTS WITH PHANTOM FRIENDS.

A Chinese preventive officer having suspicion of a man riding in a ricksha at West Point, yesterday stopped him and found he was carrying a parcel containing opium drugs to the extent of 16½ taels. The officer escorted the man to the Imports and Exports building and on a search being made he was found to have in a specially constructed girdle, 51 taels of prepared opium valued at \$610.

When charged before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy this morning, defendant said he was carrying the opium for a man who walked away when he was arrested. Defendant said he was a freeman and that he had come to Hongkong on the *Fay-sing*.

Mr. Wood sent defendant to goal for nine months for being in possession of prepared opium and imposed a fine of \$200, or a further three months' imprisonment, for possession of drugs.

## EXECUTED FELON'S INSURANCE.

## AN ECHO OF THE CEYLON RIOTS.

An echo of the Ceylon riots is found in a case filed in the District Court of Colombo by D. D. Pedra, administrator of the estate of his son, against the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company of Colombo for the recovery of Rs. 24,000 alleged to be due to the estate of the deceased on a contract and policy of insurance.

Defendants admitted having refused to pay the amount mentioned in the policy and stated that the deceased was tried by court martial on a charge of treason for laying war against the King by shooting His Majesty's subjects with intent to murder and committing felony, and that he was sentenced to the gallows and executed, and for that reason the amount secured by the policy was not payable.

## CHINESE AFFAIRS.

## (Wah Tsa Fat Pa's Service.)

## THE SITUATION IN KWANGTUNG.

## SIX DIFFERENT GOVERNMENTS.

## PEKING, July 3.

Chu Kan, representing Kang Yu Wei (the well-known Reformer) has arrived in Peking and has had an interview with the President. He handed to the President a letter from Kang Yu Wei in which he said that there are six Governments in Kwangtung, and he asked that the Government should devise a means of unifying them.

## SHANGHAI, July 3.

The Cantonese guild has received a reply from President Li Yuan Hung to their communication regarding Governor-General Lung Chai Kwong. It states that their communication has been referred to the Cabinet for consideration.

## GENERAL LUNG CHAI KWONG CALLED TO PEKING.

## PEKING, July 3.

General Lung Chai Kwong, Governor-General of Kwangtung, has been ordered to proceed to Peking. He will be given another appointment.

Either Wong Ju Cheong or Dai Chum will succeed him at Canton.

## THE MEETING OF PARLIAMENT.

## SHANGHAI, July 3.

The members of Parliament here have sent circular telegrams to all the Provinces advising that all members of Parliament should arrive in Peking before July 31 and begin the session as soon as a quorum is present.

## LIANG SHIH YI.

## SHANGHAI, July 3.

The Chief Censor has handed to the President personally a document impeaching Liang Shih Yi (Secretary and Confidential Adviser of the late President) and recommending his immediate arrest.

Owing to the seriousness of the question, the President consulted several high officials as to whether it would be advisable to comply with the Censor's request or to submit the matter to Parliament. Most of the officials recommended the immediate arrest of Liang Shih Yi.

## THE SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS.

## PEKING, July 3.

The "Provincial Independence Question" will be settled within the next fortnight and the troops will then be withdrawn.

## THE GIVING OF "CHARACTERS."

A libel action, unsuccessful before the jury, brought by a cook against his former mistress for statements made in a written "character" to a prospective employer, raises again the question: What are the employer's rights and duties when giving a "character" to a departing servant?

The legal answer is simple. No one is bound to give a character to his servant when asked for it. But if any character is given it must be such as the master honestly believes to be true. The whole duty of the former master on such an occasion is conveniently summarised by Dr. Blake Odgers ("Libel and Slander," Stevens). "To state fully and honestly all that he knows either for or against the servant; and any communication made in performance of this duty is clearly privileged for the sake of the common convenience of society, even though it should turn out that the former master was mistaken in some of his statements."

## SHIPPING ITEMS.

The Japanese Government has estimated its shipbuilding subsidies for the next fiscal year at ¥4,000,000 for about 130,000 tons of shipping.

Investigations by the Japanese Department of Communications show that at the end of April there were 2,140 steamers owned by Japanese, with an aggregate tonnage of 1,616,932.

The Toyo Kisen Kaisha, it is reported, has signed a contract for the sale of its tank steamer "Soya Maru" (4,716 tons gross) for £260,000, delivery to take place in England in a few weeks. The company is also reported to contemplate selling the "Buyo Maru" at a reasonable price, the money realized from the sale of the two vessels to be devoted to the building of new freight steamers.

An Eastern Merchant, writing in "Fairplay," says: "All our docks here are, of course, doing well, and it is understood that Yokohama are about to build a fair sized steamer for the Holt line, the materials being sent out from home. She is to be about 430 feet long by 53 feet beam, the biggest Hongkong built steamer by far up to the present. It is curious to note that quite a number of the Chinese junks, carrying, say, 50-100 tons, are now fitted with internal combustion engines, which, of course, put them ahead of their competitors."

A recent issue of the monthly supplement of the "Japan Weekly Chronicle" contains some remarkable examples of the profits and dividends of Japanese steamship companies.

Of the two principal companies the accounts of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha for the six months ended September 30, show a transfer to depreciation and reserve of ¥662,808; a net profit of ¥234,500, as compared with ¥238,800 in the previous six months; and a dividend and bonus equivalent to 15 per cent. per annum. The Toyo Kisen Kaisha paid a dividend equal to 12 per cent. per annum, after making allowance for depreciation and adding ¥100,000 to its reserves. Of smaller firms, the Meiji Marine Transport Company, established in 1911 with a capital of ¥50,000, made a profit for the six months of ¥64,864, chiefly resulting from the sale of two steamers, and for that period paid a dividend at the rate of 220 per cent. per annum; while the percentage of dividend, also chiefly due to the sale of steamers, of the Uchida Steamship Company, was notwithstanding a handsome allowance for reserve and depreciation, even larger; a distribution having been made for the six months at the rate of 600 per cent. per annum.

There is no doubt that the Japanese steamship companies owe their present prosperity to a considerable extent to the absence from Eastern waters, under military requirements, of a large proportion of the British tonnage usually engaged, and to the total disappearance of steamers under the German flag. The resulting scarcity of tonnage has had the double effect of raising freights and of leaving the Japanese owners to enjoy, up to the limit of their steamers' capacity, an altogether unusual proportion of the trade. To what extent permanent loss, if any, will have been suffered by the British shipowners in consequence of this displacement remains to be seen.

It may be remarked that such British liner companies as have been enabled to maintain a measure of regularity in their services have not prospered unduly from the temporary inflation of freights, for if in times of depressed freights the regularity of their sailings claims for them higher rates and the support of shippers (especially shippers of the more valuable cargoes), in times like the present, when free steamers reap a rich harvest, the liners, in view of the stability of their trade connections, do little more in the way of increasing rates than is necessary to meet the enhanced cost of ship upkeep, fuel, and stores. The condition after the war of British shipping interests in the East is, in any case, a matter which deserves and will doubtless receive, early and close consideration by those concerned.

## OFFICER'S DARING.

## BURNING CHINESE THROWN INTO THE SEA AND SAVED.

For a particularly daring action the silver medal of the Society for the Protection of Life from Fire has been presented to Lieut. E. P. Campbell, R.E. While in the Muree Bay a steam launch hospital vessel took fire. The Chinese diver, being asked, Lieut. Campbell, surrounded by the flames, picked him up and threw him overboard, and going after him, kept him afloat till the sea was put out and they were got on board.

## THE NAME.

From the New York Herald: "Verdun used to be an important Berlin's military experts. It is this, the same Verdun that figured prominently in the official communications which were distributed Berlin on February 27. Verdun has fallen."

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## THE WAR.

## TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## STORIES FROM THE BATTLEFIELD.

## ENEMY HOPELESSLY OUT-GUNNED.

LONDON, July 3. Only fragmentary details have yet been received of the infantry fighting. An episode which has fascinated Paris is a story of how two Scottish regiments carried three lines of trenches at one bound and penetrated the village of Montauban, slaying with the bayonet several hundreds of the enemy and capturing the whole Staff of a Regiment. In the present cautious and methodical push there have been apparently few instances of fatal over-zeal, carrying men beyond their supports, but the skill and courage of the enemy are evidenced by the desperate fight at Thiepval. After the place had apparently been thoroughly cleared and the British had passed, the Germans emerged from deep dug-outs and other strange hiding places and furiously attacked with machine-guns and bombs, while a tornado of all sorts of shells transformed the scene of the fierce conflict into a cauldron of green smoke. The wonder is that anyone could possibly survive.

Indications show that the Germans were in no way surprised. They even knew the actual date fixed for the attack. Hence the success of our first onslaught is all the more praiseworthy because their strongest defender was put up in the battered village and field forts in which they fought with the highest skill and obstinacy.

The weak point in the German resistance was the enemy's heavy artillery. He was throughout hopelessly outgunned.

## THE LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

LONDON, July 3. The removal of minimum prices on Indian stocks revealed a 4 1/2 to 5% basis with a disposition to purchase at the reduced level. There were buyers of 3% Indian stock at 62, and 3 1/2% at 72.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## THE ANGLO-FRENCH OFFENSIVE.

## PRISONERS EXCEED 6,000.

PARIS, July 2. Fighting continued in our favour all day north of the Somme.

In the region of Hardecourt and Curia we captured a fortified quarry. East of Curia we gained a footing in the second line at many points.

South of the Somme we captured the village of Brise and a wood at Mercantourt.

The unrounded prisoners now exceed 4,000, including 150 officers.

Guns and much war material have been captured.

Our losses are of the slightest. No infantry action has taken place north of Verdun, but there has been a lively bombardment.

## SLOW BUT SURE.

PARIS, July 3. A semi-official communiqué emphasizes that progress must be slow but sure, the tactics being to consolidate every gain before attacking the next objective.

## MORE SUBMARINE VICTIMS.

LONDON, July 3. The British steamers *Wanderer* and *Tamo* have been sunk.

## MINISTER OF MUNITIONS.

## MR. CHAMBERLAIN SUGGESTED.

LONDON, July 3. The *Times* says it is suggested that Mr. Chamberlain may succeed Mr. Lloyd George as Minister of Munitions, and that Lord Crewe will return to the India Office.

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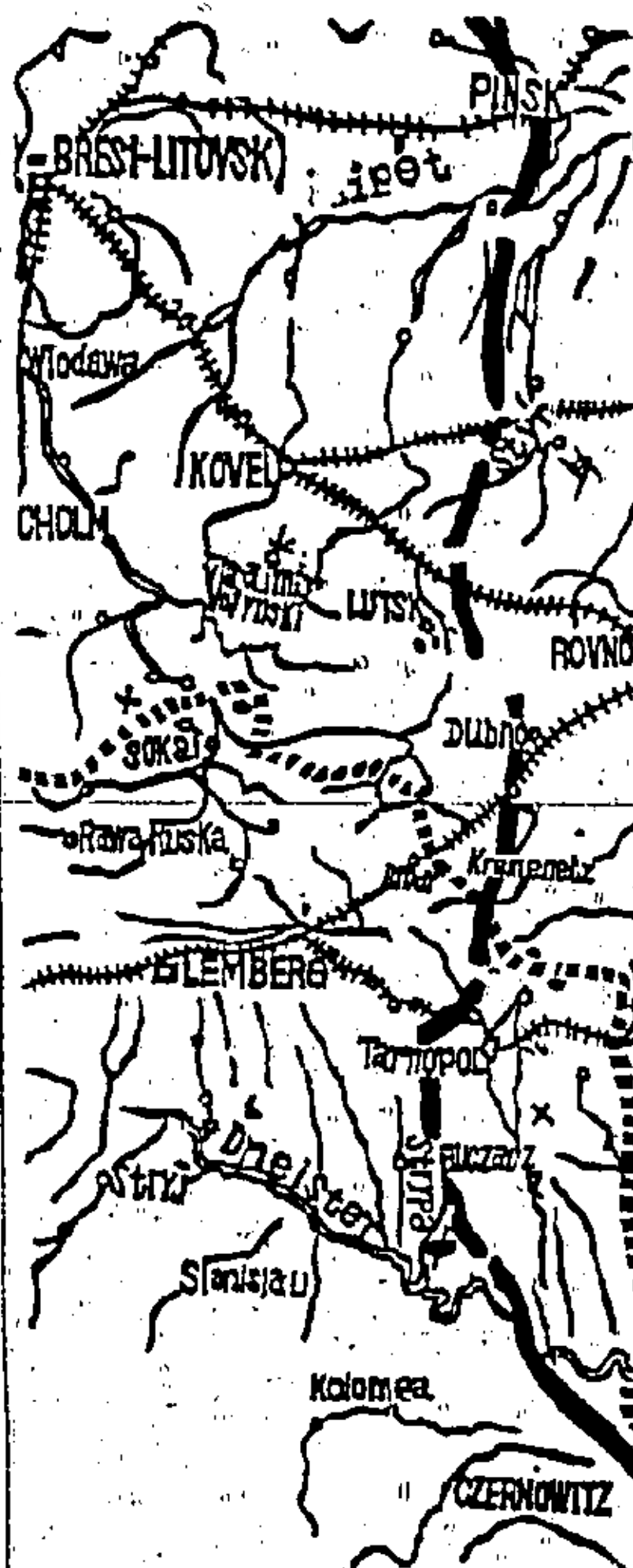
## GERMAN ONSLAUGHTS ON RUSSIAN FRONT.

## RUSSIAN MILITARY AUTHORITIES CONFIDENT.

PETROGRAD, July 3.

The result of a week of violent onslaughts is that the Germans advanced five miles in some sectors east of the Styr, but the Military Authorities are confident that the Russians will hold the enemy pending the development of General Letchinsky's sweep in Bukhovina.

The Russians have advanced fifteen miles south-westward of Kolomea, and the Austrians are hard pressed to cover their retreat towards the Carpathians.



## LOWER HALF OF THE RUSSIAN LINE.

The Russian force which broke through the German lines at Lutsk has Kovel as its immediate objective, and the fighting recorded in to-day's telegram is in that region.

General Letchinsky's army is operating further south, where it has captured Czernowitz and Kolomea.

## GERMAN NAVAL PLANS.

LONDON, June 13.—The Amsterdam correspondent of the *Times* referring to the battle of Jutland, says the German object was not to bring on a general engagement but to convey a large number of commerce destroyers past the British fleet into the Atlantic ocean. This plan failed completely. Many of the fast cruisers intended to be used for this purpose were sunk. Other accounts state the German object was to transfer to the Baltic battleships of a recent class needed for the attack on Riga but too deep to pass through the Kiel canal.

## WAR NEWS FROM THE FRONT.

The following army instruction, dated from the War Office, May 16, relating to regimental journals and battalion diaries, has been issued:—"It has been brought to notice that Regimental Journals and Magazines frequently contain information regarding the movements, actions, and situations of battalions, which would be of great value to the enemy if it came into his possession. With a view to minimizing this danger, it is notified that no record of the above nature in regard to an event that has occurred within six months of the date of publication should, in future, be included in Regimental Journals and Magazines." This also includes letters from the front.

## BIG BAG OF SUBMARINES.

A striking reference to the success of anti-submarine operations of the British and Allied Fleets appears in the latest issue of the *Scientific American*. The passage runs as follows:—"A prominent American business man, who has recently returned from an extended business trip among the belligerent nations of Europe, tells us he was reliably informed that the Allies had netted a total of 180 submarines. Not long before this our Navy Department learned, through its own private sources of information, the total number of submarines captured or destroyed by this and other means was 177."

## THE MILITARY SITUATION.

LONDON, June 16.

Germany's military position strongly resembles that existing in 1914. The enemy then marched through Belgium intending to deliver a smashing blow at France before the Russian mobilisation was complete. They found Russia becoming dangerous while France was still unbeaten, and were obliged to turn troops eastward. Last February Russia had re-equipped her armies. The Germans attacked Verdun as a preliminary to a new march on Paris, again hoping to deliver a crushing blow and turn eastwards in time to deal with Russia. The French resistance at Verdun and the Russian success against Austria upset her programme. While news of each step in the Russian advance is eagerly awaited, experts are even more interested in the question how Germany will meet the situation whether or not the Russians be delayed on the Stokhod or west of the Strya or south of the Pruth. It seems improbable that Austria alone even by the abandonment of the Trentino offensive can effectively resist Russia on the whole front, and as the "Morning Post" military correspondent remarks it is not to be supposed that Germany will allow her ally to be driven across the Carpathians and the whole position on the eastern front to be imperilled without making a determined attempt to prevent it. The correspondent quoted mentions the possible abandonment of the German offensive in France. The possibility has been already discussed and it is widely believed that any appreciable withdrawal of German troops from the western front would be the signal for a great Anglo-French attack for which it is hoped the French are quite ready, despite the sacrifices entailed in defending Verdun.

The Central News Petrograd correspondent suggests that the Germans may assist the Austrians by risking a great battle on the Dvina front, as the only alternative to retirement from there. This Petrograd correspondent states that the Russian advance has compelled Prince Leopold of Bavaria whose right rested on the Pripiet and Stokhod to bend his flank to cover his communications. The Germans are conducting demonstrative attacks from Baranovitch to Polissie to mask the regrouping in the centre necessitated by these dispositions which have weakened the line of the Strya.

## THE PRIME MINISTER.

## SPECTATOR'S TRIBUTE TO HIS GREAT QUALITIES.

Under the heading of "The Prime Minister," the "Spectator" prints in a prominent place a warm appreciation of Mr. Asquith.

The Government, the writer says, want to be given a chance to do their duty unhampered by the distraction either of courses or of lamentations, of invectives, or of strictures based upon idle rumour or malicious gossip. While professing no sympathy with the Prime Minister as a politician, the writer goes on, with regard to the war: "The country owes him a great deal for his conduct of affairs, and when all is known, and the full story is told, history will, we believe, not merely acquit him of the charges which have been brought against him, but pronounce that he has displayed great qualities—qualities which were necessary to our ultimate success."

His plan of campaign was to maintain national unity even at the sacrifice of peace, and even if it involved a certain loss of the nation's energies. At the very beginning of the crisis he realised that war could not be avoided without loss of honour and of the good faith, and so without incurring the deadliest of perils. Thereupon he made up his mind to bring not only the majority but the whole of his party into line, and thus secure a united nation. He was determined that the nation should move as a whole, and that even if the march were thereby delayed, the advance guard should never run away from the main column. Who can doubt that herein he was wise in principle, even if the halts often tended to re-embarrass those who do not realise the dangers that come from a disorderly advance.

THE "IMPERTURABLE." The writer next praises Mr. Asquith's quality of imperturbability; he kept cool himself and helped the nation to keep cool.

The calmness that the Prime Minister is calm in the sufferings of the nation is destroyed by the writer's own admission that he has had three sons fighting at the front and that all have held posts of personal danger, that two have been wounded—one badly at Gallipoli—and that the Prime Minister has never allowed to this circumstance in public. "That he has never let the world know this is a reticence of a very memorable kind," adds the "Spectator," and points out that "no man dare say that the members of his (Mr. Asquith's) family have asked or received any sort of preference, or have been given the soft or sensational jobs."

Orders have been made by the Board of Trade under the Trading with the Enemy Amendment Act, 1916, requiring the "Odo" Chemical Works of South-Work, E.C., manufacturers of toilet preparations, and Julius Kayer and Co. (Ltd.), wine merchants, to be wound up.

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FOR

STEAMERS	To Sail
PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	July 5, Daylight
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	July 5, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	July 6, at 4 p.m.
HOIHOV & HAIPHONG	July 7, at 10 a.m.
HOIHOV & HAIPHONG	July 7, at 4 p.m.
NEWORHANG	July 8, Daylight
SHANGHAI	July 11, at 4 p.m.
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MANILA	TUENSANG	SATURDAY, July 6, at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KUTSANG	SATURDAY, July 6, at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	WOSANG	THURSDAY, July 13, Daylight
MANILA	LOOSANG	SATURDAY, July 15, at 3 p.m.

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HAICHING	Capt. W. C. Pasmore	TUESDAY, 11th July at 2 p.m.

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Steamer	Tons & Speed	Leave Hongkong
PERSIA MARU	9,000-14 knots	Fri., 7th July at 10.30 a.m.
EWANTO MARU	8,000-13 knots	Wed., 13th July at Noon
KIYO MARU	17,200-14 knots	Tue., 18th July at Noon
TENYO MARU	22,000-21 knots	Tues., 18th July at Noon
NIFFON MARU	11,000-15 knots	Tues., 1st Aug. at 10.30 a.m.
SHIMO MARU	32,000-21 knots	Tues., 15th Aug. at Noon
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Steamer	Tons & Speed	Sailing
KIYO MARU	17,200-14 knots	Thursday, 13th July at Noon

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DESTINATION	STEAMERS	SAILING DATE
LONDON via SINGAPORE, MALACCA, PENANG, COLOMBO, DUBAI, CAPE TOWN AND TENERIFE	KASHIMA MARU, Capt. Tabata, Tons 21,000	THURSDAY, 6th July, at Noon
	MISEIMA MARU, Capt. Wada, Tons 16,000	THURSDAY, 13th July, at Noon
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE, via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, SHIMIZU & YOKOHAMA	SHIDZUOKA MARU, Capt. Noma, Tons 19,000	WEDNESDAY, 14th July at 4 p.m.
	KAMAKURA MARU, Capt. Kusano, Tons 12,400	TUESDAY, 16th August, at 4 p.m.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, via MANILA, TIENTSIN, DAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE	NIKKO MARU, Capt. Takeda, Tons 9,800	FRIDAY, 14th July at 4 p.m.
	AKI MARU, Capt. K. Yoshikawa, T. 12,500	TUESDAY, 16th Aug. at 11 a.m.
CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON		
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, MALACCA AND COLOMBO	TOTOMI MARU, Capt. Fujikura, Tons 8,000	TUESDAY, 11th July
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SAKI MARU, Capt. K. Yoshikawa, T. 12,500	FRIDAY, 16th July at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SHITACHI MARU, Capt. Tomioka, Tons 12,500	FRIDAY, 16th July at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	RANGOON MARU, Capt. Hori, Tons 11,500	THURSDAY, 20th July
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA		

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DESTINATION	STEAMERS	SAILING DATE
NEW YORK via SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, YOKOHAMA, SAN FRANCISCO, PANAMA AND COLON	TOYOOKA MARU, Tons 15,200, Capt. Akamatsu	WEDNESDAY, 10th July at 4 p.m.

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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FROM NEW YORK

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

FROM SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS, SAN FRANCISCO, Via

JAPAN PORTS.

THE Steamship "KIYO MARU"

The above-named Steamer having arrived Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for consignment, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside. Cargo remaining undelivered on TUESDAY, 4th July at Noon, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense, and delivery therefrom, be at their risk from the Company's Godown. Storage charges will be assessed on all Cargo remaining undelivered on SATURDAY, 6th July, at 5 p.m. No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected. No Claims will be recognized after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown. All chafed and damaged Cargo will be landed into the Company's Godown, where they will be examined on 8th July, at 10 a.m. No Claims will be recognized if filed after the 23rd July, 1918. K. DOI, Acting Agent. Hongkong, July 3, 1918. 799

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## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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FROM NEW YORK

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Colombo	Colombo		1916	1916
NELLORE	Thu. July 13	Through Steamer	August 18	Aug. 27
NANKIN	Fri. July 28	Through Steamer	Sept. 1	Sept. 10
NOVARA	Aug. 11	* Kaiser-L-Mann	Sept. 11	Sept. 18
NORE	Aug. 25	* MOOLTAN	Sept. 25	Oct. 2
MALTA	Sept. 8	* KASHGAR	Oct. 9	Oct. 16
NAMUR	Sept. 22	Through Steamer	Oct. 26	Nov. 4
SARDINIA	Oct. 6	Through Steamer	Nov. 9	Nov. 18
NOVARA	Oct. 20	* MORIA	Nov. 19	Nov. 26

\* Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO.  
Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Hongkong at the time of Booking.  
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S. S.	Leave Hongkong About
NOVARA	MONDAY, 17th July.
SOMALI	MONDAY, 17th July.
NORE	SATURDAY, 24th July.
MALTA	SATURDAY, 15th August.

Passengers may travel by Railway in Japan between Ports of Call free of charge.  
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STEAMERS	Leave Hongkong About	Leave SINGAPORE About	Due at MARSEILLES about	Due at LONDON about
SOMALI	Aug. 15	Aug. 21	Sept. 20	Sept. 29

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## THE BRITISH AT TSINGTAU.

RELATED DISPATCHES.

### HARDSHIPS OF THE TROOPS.

The War Office issued only on Tuesday, as a Supplement to the London Gazette, the dispatches from General Barnardiston on the operations of the Tsingtau Expeditionary Force in September, October, and November, 1914. The belated dispatches describe the hardships played by the troops co-operating with the Japanese forces in the capture of Tsingtau.

The Japanese Government addressed an ultimatum to Germany on August 15, 1914, requiring that she should withdraw all warships from Chinese and Japanese waters and deliver up by September 15 all the territory of Kiaochow, leased by Germany in 1898, with a view to its eventual restoration to China. No answer was given and Japan declared war on August 23. The blockade of Tsingtau, which lies on the eastern extremity of Kiaochow Bay, was begun on August 27. The Japanese troops for the siege were landed at Laoshan Bay (east of Tsingtau) on September 18, and on September 24 they were joined by the British force. On November 7 the town surrendered.

In his first dispatch, dated October 9, 1914, General Barnardiston deals with the transport of his force and mentions the good work performed by Capt. Hon. R.N. Fleet-Surgeon Clarke, and Capt. Don, Indian Supply and Transport Corps.

### THE BRITISH FRONT.

RAIN AND MUD.

No. 2.  
Brigadier-General N. W. Barnardiston, M.V.O. to the War Office.

Investing Lines before Tsingtau, 29th October, 1914.  
Sir—In continuation of my dispatch, dated 9th July, I have the honour to report that on the 10th instant I received orders from the Japanese Commander to the effect that the Force under my command was to take its place in the main line of the investing force, a front of about 600 yards being assigned to us. Accordingly, on the 11th instant the 1st and 2nd South Wales Borderers and the 2nd South Wales Borderers took up, with two companies, a line running approximately north-west and south-west through a point a little north of Point 177 on Shuang Shan, furnishing two pickets with their supports and a local reserve. The remaining companies of the 2nd and 3rd South Wales Borderers were distributed in such nullahs, south of Huang-Chia-Ying, as afforded the best cover from shell fire.

The range of heights forming the position at this time of investment, the local village, with their undergrowth, is intersected by numerous deep ravines of clay, excellent for protection and accommodation in dry weather. In wet weather, however, such as we have been unfortunately experiencing, the local soil is washed away, the sides of the nullahs fall in, carrying with them the shelter for the troops; every valley becomes a torrent and every road or track a mass of deep mud. Cover for the men from the rain and weather becomes impossible. The men have been soaked through and through for as much as 48 hours, and equipment has been buried by falls of earth, and ammunition has rusted, but in spite of all hardships and privations, the spirit and health of the troops have been excellent; and they have worked continuously at digging and at the heavy fatigue work of carrying munitions and ammunition and heavy beams for head cover 15 miles or the front where wheeled traffic has been impossible—often in liquid and half-way up to the knees.

By degrees, and as I can obtain space, I am moving the rear companies up towards the front line preparatory to the attack on the fortress. Considerable delay has been taken owing to heavy rains, but I learned yesterday that the bombardment will commence on the 31st instant.

The health of the troops, notwithstanding the hard work and trying weather, is most satisfactory.  
The line of investment we now hold extends from Kiao-Chia Bay to the sea, running approximately through Kishan, 110 degrees 21 minutes, 30 degrees 8 minutes (Lat. 36 deg. 25 min. N., Long. 120 deg. 5 min. E.) to the high point of the mountain of Chia-Lan-Kow, to Poushan (Prince Henry's Hill).

ORDER OF THE ATTACK.  
The following is a summary of the order for the attack on the fortress, so far as concerns the British Force:  
The whole of the enemy's main line of defence will constitute the front of attack. All arrangements are calculated for a deliberate attack, but any opportunity of attacking which presents itself will be seized upon.

The front of attack is divided into four sections, the right central section being assigned to the force under my command. Our front about 800 yards is roughly composed of the parallel lines running north-east and south-west—the right flank line passing through Tashan, 110 degrees 22 minutes, 38 degrees 7 minutes (36 deg. 25 min. N., Long. 120 deg. 5 min. E.), village and Point 37, 37 deg. 15 min. N., 120 deg. 6 min. E., the high point of the mountain of Chia-Lan-Kow, to Poushan (Prince Henry's Hill).

To-morrow the line of investment will be advanced to a line running through Kishan, Shuang-Shan, 110 degrees 6 minutes, 30 degrees 8 minutes (36 deg. 25 min. N., Long. 120 deg. 5 min. E.), village and Point 37, 37 deg. 15 min. N., 120 deg. 6 min. E., the high point of the mountain of Chia-Lan-Kow, to Poushan (Prince Henry's Hill).

The first position of attack will be prepared on this line, and during the first two or three nights will be strengthened, communicating trenches completed, and preparations made for the attack.  
The second position of attack will be strongly constructed, approximately on the line Poushan Station, Hsin-Chia-Tsun, the high ground east of Kiao-Chia-Tsun, and the high ground west of Poushan Station, Hsin-Chia-Tsun, and the high ground east of Kiao-Chia-Tsun, and the high ground west of Poushan Station, Hsin-Chia-Tsun.

The main portion of the siege artillery will first fix on the enemy's force and the remainder against his war vessels. Subsequently, as the first line advances, this portion of the artillery will fire on the enemy's redoubts.

Co-operation with the Navy is arranged for. I am collecting 12 days' supplies at a suitable place in rear of the advanced position to provide against the possibility of its being found impossible in this very difficult country, to bring them up during the bombardment, a suitable place for my Brigade Ammunition Reserve, about two miles in rear of the first position of attack, has been selected.

The Field Hospital has been established at Che-Chia-Hsin-Ching, about half-way between Liang-Hsin-Ching and Prince Henry's Hill, and dressing stations have been arranged for in nullahs in rear of the front line.

The half battalion of the 36th Sikhs under command of Lieut.-Colonel E. L. Sullivan disembarked at Lao-Shan Bay on the 28th instant and arrived yesterday at the front.

I have, &c.,  
N. W. BARNARDISTON,  
Brigadier-General.

### SURRENDER OF TSINGTAU.

TRIBUTE TO JAPANESE ARTILLERY.

No. 3.

Brigadier-General N. W. Barnardiston to the War Office.

Tsingtau, 10th November, 1914.

Sir—I have the honour to report the successful conclusion of this Expedition to the surrender of Tsingtau on the 7th instant.

The operations in which the force under my command have taken part proceeded as outlined in my Despatch No. 2, dated 29th October.

The advanced position indicated in that despatch was occupied on the 30th October. The bombardment commenced on the 31st, the enemy not replying to any great extent. During the first day some oil tanks and coal stores near the dock-yard were burnt, and the force and redoubts suffered severely. Throughout the night the practice of the Japanese artillery was surprisingly good, and the accuracy of their fire and their numerical superiority in guns no doubt proved the principal factor in compelling the enemy's surrender. It is stated that the Germans expended all their gun ammunition. The bombardment continued with slight intermissions until the fall of the 1st November.

On the 1st November, the First Position of attack (see my Despatch No. 2) was occupied, and the preparation of the Second Position commenced. This position was ready for occupation on the 3rd instant, but owing to the location of the main body of the force of the river, it was impossible to drain it to occupy it permanently, and as it was everywhere under close infantry fire from the First Position, I merely held it during the night with pickets.

On the night of the 3rd November, somewhat heavy artillery fire was directed on our trenches, the 36th Sikhs losing 2 Sepoys killed and 2 officers wounded, while the 2nd Bn. South Wales Borderers had also several casualties.

On the 4th November, I was ordered to prepare a Third Position of attack on the left bank of the river. This line was to a great extent enfiladed on both flanks by Nos. 1 and 3 Redoubts, especially the latter from which annoying machine-gun fire was experienced.

SOUTH WALES BORDERERS' LOSS.

The bed of the river (a small stream running over a bed of sand) had already to be crossed, and in doing so the working parties of the 2nd Bn. South Wales Borderers suffered somewhat severely, being a non-commissioned officer and men killed and 24 wounded. The 30th Sikhs had only slight losses. Nothing doing, this a good deal of work was done, especially on the right flank.

I considered it my duty to represent to the Japanese Commander-in-Chief the untenable nature, for permanent occupation of the position of the Third Position in my front, but received a reply that it was necessary for it to be held in order to fit in with the general scheme of assault.

On the evening of the 6th, accordingly, I occupied it with pickets, and working parties continued to improve it.

During the night, on hearing rumours of the evacuation of one or more of the redoubts, I sent out officers' patrols to ascertain if the enemy were still holding the trenches in front of us and prepared to advance should the front clear. They were not, however, with rifles and machine-gun fire, and reported that No. 2 Redoubt, on our left, was still held.

Between 5 and 6 a.m. on the morning of the 7th the enemy started a further campaign for field artillery and an occasioned by their heavy guns, and I issued preparatory orders for an advance as soon as I knew the redoubts were captured. At 7 a.m. all firing ceased, and I was informed that the enemy had sent out a flag of truce. About 8.30 a.m. I received orders to advance, and the enemy along the whole of our front having then retired, I marched into Tsingtau.

The troops under my command have behaved extremely well under trying conditions of weather and have been able from siege warfare, and all ranks have worked loyally and hard.

I have, &c.,  
N. W. BARNARDISTON,  
Brigadier-General.

### THE IMPORTANCE OF RESERVES.

Mr. A. Henderson (President, Board of Education) in a letter to his political agent at Bermuda, Castle station:

"Government does not intend to form fresh army divisions but it intends to keep the existing divisions at their full strength with sufficient held in reserve. Experience shows that even in a successful attack the losses were very heavy, and that unless the reserves are adequately provided with reserves the time must come when they will have neither the material strength nor the moral confidence which is required for a successful offensive. They must be strong enough not only to be able to strike again and again."

### ALBERTA CAVE.

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